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SENATOR CHAMBERS: No. Here's what I'm saying. The language of the committee amendment...

SENATOR ABOUD: Um-hum.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...says that a physician or a registered nurse. I'm leaving that alone. Then it says, "or a person qualified under these", and then it cross-refers us to 71-1103.

SENATOR ABOUD: Um-hum.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And one of those persons is...doesn't have to be a doctor or a nurse,...

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...nor under the supervision of either one.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. That was Senator Chambers opening on his amendment. Senator Aboud on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Madam President, members. If you look to the...if you look to the particular language that we had provided in the original bill...the original bill stated specifically that only individuals qualified to draw DNA samples in a medically approved manner. And that was the language of the original green copy, that was the law...the Pennsylvania law that we drew the language from. And from that, apparently, it was concluded, at least it was my conclusion, that this would include individuals such as doctors, registered nurses, EMTs, LPNs, PAs, physicians assistants, a whole multitude of individuals. We were in the committee and we were discussing, well, maybe there should be some sort of standards instead of just having a language stating medically approved manner to draw these samples. And during the course of the discussions, we...I said, why don't we look towards what we currently provide in state statute for what is determined as medically approved individuals who can draw blood. And that's what drew us to 17-1103 (sic), sections 18 and 19, because in statute we have specific individuals that we have provided that are qualified to draw blood. And that seemed like that fit with our...the